

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Eastern District of Virginia

United States of America  
v.

MELVIN PLOWDEN

*Defendant(s)*

**UNDER SEAL**

Case No. 1:23-mj-165

**CRIMINAL COMPLAINT**

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of June 4, 2020 in the city/county of Richmond, Virginia  
in the Eastern District of Virginia, the defendant(s) violated:

*Code Section*

18 U.S.C. §§ 2 and 924(a)(1)(A)

*Offense Description*

Aiding and abetting the making of false statements with respect  
to the purchase of firearms

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

Please see the attached Affidavit.

☒ Continued on the attached sheet.

Reviewed by AUSA/SAUSA

AUSA Cristina C. Stam

*Printed name and title*

C. McGourty

*Complainant's signature*

Caitlin McGourty, ATF Special Agent

*Printed name and title*

Attested to by the applicant in accordance with the requirements of Fed. R. Crim. P. 4.1 by  
telephone \_\_\_\_\_ (specify reliable electronic means).

Date: 8/21/2023

**Lindsey Vaala** Digitally signed by Lindsey Vaala  
Date: 2023.08.21 15:31:18 -04'00'

*Judge's signature*

City and state: Alexandria, Virginia

Hon. Lindsey R. Vaala, U.S. Magistrate Judge

*Printed name and title*